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> SUBJECT: Eyles, Donald Applicant:

Serial No: 08/786,048 Filed:

January 21, 1997

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR

AUTOMATICALLY EXECUTING

DECISIONAL RULES

Group: 2309 Examiner: Downs Docket No: DR-232J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed are a REQUEST FOR CONTINUATION APPLICATION UNDER THE FILE WRAPPER CONTINUING PROCEDURE PURSUANT TO 37 CFR 1.62 in the subject application. Also enclosed are a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME WITHIN THE THIRD MONTH and a check in the amount of \$475.00 For the extension fee.

Applicant is claiming small entity status as evidenced by the Verified Statement Claiming Small Entity Status filed in the parent case.

Filing Fee Calculation

Basic fee: \$ 395.00

Additional fees:

Total number of claims in excess

of 20: $5 \times $11.00 =$ \$ 55.00

Number of independent claims in excess

of 3: $11 \times $39.00 =$ \$ 451.00

TOTAL FILING FEE \$ 901.00

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If for any reason this REQUEST is found to be incomplete, or if at any time it appears that a telephone conference with counsel would help advance prosecution, please telephone the undersigned or his associate, Joseph S. Iandiorio, collect in Waltham, Massachusetts, (781)890-5678.

A check in the amount of \$901.00 for the filing fee is enclosed. If any payment during prosecution is found to be incorrect, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment to my Deposit Account No. 09-0002. A copy of this letter is enclosed for use by the Finance Branch in the event that it is necessary to make any charge or credit to my deposit account.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of the foregoing by returning the enclosed self-addressed postcard.

Sincerely,

Kirk Teska

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Enclosures

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Please convert the subject application to a Continuation application under the File Wrapper Continuing Procedure Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.62.

Please amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: -- This is a continuation of application Serial No. 08/786,048, filed January 21, 1997.--

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The new fee is calculated as follows:

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Respectfully submitted,

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